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THE COUNCIL FAILED

MT. OLIVET DECLINED TO PARTICIPATE IN IT.

Another Meeting in April—Moore S. Baptist Church The Place.

The Council which met at the Fourth Baptist Church, Tuesday, March 26th, for the purpose of settling the grievances of that church against the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, failed of its purpose and after the appointment of a committee of five for the purpose of inducing Mt. Olivet Baptist Church to meet that body, adjourned until April 2nd when it will assemble at the Moore S. Baptist Church.

The original proposition was to call a Mutual Council and this was to be concurred in by both the Fourth Baptist and the Mount Olivet Baptist Churches.

A committee was sent by the Fourth Baptist Church to the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church asking that body to join in such a call.

The latter church, however, wanted the purpose for which the mutual council was to be defined. It also wanted to know whether or not the Fourth Baptist Church recognized its pastor, Rev. J. Andrew Bowler as a regularly ordained minister.

The 4th Baptist Church, did not give the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church all of the answers to the questions which it desired, and accordingly, that church did not join in a call for the mutual council.

The 4th Baptist church sent out the invitations to the churches on its own account, and Mt. Olivet Baptist church issued a circular explaining why it could not join in the call for the mutual council and declaring that it would not participate in the aforesaid council.

This caused many of the churches to decline to send delegates, regarding it as useless so to do unless both parties to the controversy would agree to abide by the decision of that body.

Rev. Evans said to have reviewed it entirely.

From the action of the council, it is plainly apparent that nothing will be accomplished.

The last Baptist Church of which the late Rev. Dr. J. H. Holmes was pastor had previously withdrawn the right hand of fellowship from Rev. Evans, Payne and declined to send delegates to the council called by the Fourth Baptist Church.

The Ebenezer Baptist and the Fifth St. Baptist Churches also did not send delegates.

The general opinion prevails that the Fourth Baptist Church and the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church will be left to settle the matter between themselves.

SHOT HIM TO DEATH.

A Colored Man in Halifax Summarily Dealt With.

SOURCE BOSTON, Va., March 28.—On Monday night, Mr. H. S. DeJarnette, who lives near Steavalls, in the north end position of the city, had his stable burned, together with two mules, one horse, and some harness and forage.

Tuesday morning, Mr. DeJarnette, with others, found tracks which they traced to the house of a colored person, where they found the colored man ploughing. The man was arrested and tried before Justice O. R. Walker on Tuesday. The evidence appeared conclusive that he was the incendiary.

The justice sent him on to the grand jury and appointed Charles Shelton special constable to take him to jail. The constable took charge of the prisoner, and was proceeding on his way to his home to stay all night and make the necessary arrangements to take him to prison to jail early Wednesday morning. At 9 o'clock Tuesday night, while he was near his home, he was confronted by forty or fifty men, and the prisoner, whose name was Hubert Waller, was taken away from him by the crowd and was shot to death.

An inquest was held Wednesday morning, and the verdict of the jury was that he was killed by unknown persons. Constable Shelton could not identify any of the men who did the shooting, although they were not masked.

High Street Baptist Church of Danville, Va. Gone.

The High Street Baptist Church of which the well known, Rev. W. T. Hall pastor was burned to the ground last week. The sparks from the tinners' heater set fire to the steeple and the entire structure was soon enveloped in flames. It was insured for \$8000 and was the largest colored church in that section.

NOTICE.

The St. Lukes of the East-end will celebrate their Thanksgiving at Mount Cavalry Baptist Church, Fulton, East-end Sunday, April 7, 1901. Ladies will meet at the church and men at True Reformers' Hall, 80th street.

HENRY J. WALKER, D. Deputy.

COLORED BOYS' LIE FROM THE RANKS.

B. O. Davis, of Washington Passed Army Examination For Lieut.

Benjamin O. Davis, of the District of Columbia, has passed the examination open to enlisted men of the regular army for appointment as a second lieutenant.

He is the first colored man to pass. The tests were held recently at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., and the result have just reached the War Department. Of the eighteen enlisted men who entered, Davis, who is a sergeant major of the Ninth Cavalry (colored) passed third in order of merit. Under the law the successful candidates will be appointed to vacancies as they occur.

Davis will be the first Negro soldier to rise from the ranks to a commission in the regular army. He is a son of M. S. Davis, of the office of the Secretary of the Interior, was educated here, and was Major of the Colored High School Cadet Corps. At the outbreak of the Spanish war he volunteered and was appointed a lieutenant in the Eighth Regiment of Immunes.

After this mustering out he tried for a commission in the regular service. The only way open was through the ranks. He enlisted as a private in the Ninth Cavalry, was advanced to sergeant major of a squadron, and had served in that capacity for about one year when he entered for the examination.

There is but one colored officer in the army at present, Captain Charles Young, of the Ninth Cavalry, a graduate of West Point, now at Wilberforce College, Ohio.

PROGRAM FOR THE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

To-morrow (Sunday) Afternoon at the First Baptist Church—Rev. (Dr. Graham, Master of Ceremonies.

The Public is Cordially Invited.

Musie, "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow." Opening Hymn, Choir and congregation. Scripture Reading, Rev. J. A. Bowler. Opening Prayer, Rev. S. C. Burrell. Music, by Choir. Selection, "The Minister's Call," Miss Eva G. Davis. Solo, Mrs. A. B. Hawkins. Anniversary Sermon, Rev. D. Webster Davis, A. M. Thanksgiving Prayer, Rev. W. F. Graham, D. D. Music, Choir.

"The Advantages the Order Offers." Grand Chancellor, Mr. John Mitchell, Jr.

Collection. Musie. Benediction, Rev. W. F. Graham, D. D.

Colored Man Lynched in Mississippi.

TENNY, Miss., March 21.—Jody Bell, a colored man, 25 years old, charged with attempted robbery and assault, was lynched here last night. Bell had been given a preliminary hearing and placed in jail. It was the intention to take him to Jackson to-day for safe keeping. Later developments, it seems implicated another colored man, Charles Hollingsworth by name, and he was also arrested and placed in jail. The mob meant to hang him with Bell, but he fought his way through the small army of men, and, although fifty shots were fired at him, he escaped in the darkness.

JOHNSON—Died at her residence, No. 1320 W. Moore Street, on Tuesday, March 19th, 1901 at 8 p. m., Mrs. Annie M. Johnson, widow of the late Mr. Fleming Johnson. She was confined only about six days and bore her illness with much patience. She leaves seven children, three sisters and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

She had been a member of Ebenezer Baptist Church for over 20 years. She had been a member of Loving Daughters of Bethlehem for 21 years and of Keturah Tent for several years. She was a member of the Board of Directors of the Woman's Cornerstone Beneficial Association since its organization.

The funeral services were held at the Ebenezer Baptist Church on Friday, the 22nd inst. at 8:30 p. m., Rev. W. H. Stokes officiated, assisted by Rev. S. C. Burrell. Mrs. Carrie Hawkins sang "Some Sweet Day," accompanied by Prof. Mann. The services were sad and impressive.

Among the resolutions were some from the neighbors. The remains were interred in Evergreen Cemetery.

Aginaldo Captured.

MANILA, March 27.—General Frederick Funston's daring project for the capture of Aginaldo, in his hiding place in the province of Isabela, island of Luzon, has proved successful. The United States gunboat Vicksburg, Commander E. B. Barry, with General Funston and Aginaldo on board have arrived this morning.

Joliet News.

Rev. T. C. Fleming of Braidwood passed through our city on his way to Brazil, Ind., where he will spend a week preaching. He also spent one week in Elgin, Ill., and Springfield, Ill. Rev. Fleming has had very successful progress with his meetings.

Mrs. Frank Cole and Mrs. John White of Morris are visiting at Mrs. Dishmans.

Mrs. Little of Chicago is visiting at Mrs. Johnson's 802 Ottawa St.

The Odd Fellows of Garden City Lodge, No. 4587 will give one of the grandest entertainments given this season, March 27th, 1901.

The choir of the Second Baptist Church will give a grand entertainment consisting of scenery of the Philippines.

Mrs. Jenkins left Sunday to attend Mrs. Kate Wells who has been sick all winter.

Dr. G. B. Howard at the Fifth Street Baptist Church.

To-morrow will be a day of unusual interest at Fifth St. Baptist Church at the morning and night services. It is convention day and Dr. G. B. Howard, the distinguished pastor of the great Guilded Baptist Church, Petersburg will preach at each service. Dr. Howard is widely known as one of the leading orators of the country. The choir of the church are earnestly requested to give 25 cents each for the work of the State Convention. All friends interested in the Virginia Seminary are requested to be present and help us do this mighty work for the Baptist cause.

Respectfully,
W. F. GRAHAM,
Pastor 5th St. Baptist Church.

—Mrs. J. O'Brien Forrester is quite sick with an attack of the grippe.

—Mr. Jno. Thompson is very ill at his residence, 918 St. John St.

—Miss Williams is sick at the residence of her mother, 1209 St. John St.

—Mr. Joseph Early has returned home from Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C.

—Rev. C. O. Washington of Potomac Mills, Va. sends us \$1.50 with his best wishes.

—Dr. H. Peyton Johnson of Detroit, Michigan and Fleming Johnson, Jr. of New York City were in our city on last week to attend the funeral of their mother.

—Rev. P. J. Wallace of the Union University will preach a special sermon at Mount Olivet Baptist Church Sunday night.

Rev. John Jasper, the celebrated minister has been very ill. His friends have been apprehensive, but his iron constitution serves him well.

Read the offer of Messrs Julius Sytle & Son. You are afforded an opportunity which will ensure success. Call and see this well known firm and buy your goods on the installment plan and at low prices.

RICHMOND, VA., March 18, 1901.
Headquarters First Brigade of Virginia.
511 N 3rd St.
(Order, No. 2.)

Permission is hereby granted to the Regiment, Battalions and Companies in this jurisdiction to participate in the Thanksgiving exercises, Sunday, March 31, 1901.

By order,
JOHN MITCHELL, JR.,
Brigadier General.
JOHN R. CHILDS,
Acting Adjutant General.

Like The Planet.

CAMBRIDGE, MASS., March 21, 1901.
John Mitchell, Jr.,
511 N. 4th St.,
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir:—
After reading your paper year after year for several years, I am thoroughly confident that the PLANET proves all that is claimed for it as a race journal and furthermore think it perfectly safe to say that as a defender of the cause of the Negro race, most positively the PLANET has no equal.

I am truly devoted to the cause which you have so ably and so faithfully defended. May you live long to continue your warfare against wrong and injustice till God shall lead you to victory.

Please find enclosed \$1.50 for another year's subscription.

Truly yours,
M. C. JOHNSON.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS ANNIVERSARY.

The anniversary sermon of the Knights of Pythias, M. A. & A. E. A. A. and A. A. will be delivered Sunday, March 31st, at the 1st Baptist Church by Rev. D. W. Davis, A. M., at 8 p. m. The Knights will meet at Pythian Castle Hall at 1:30 p. m., and march to the church and the Court members will meet at 2 p. m. in the lecture-room of the First Baptist Church. The public is invited to attend.

THINGS SOME MEN BOAST OF

"The large man is proud because he is large; While the small man is proud of his smallness; The short man will brag because he is short; While the tall man doth boast of his tallness; The fat man will spit because he is fat; While the lean man makes boast of his leanness; The good man is proud because he is good; And the mean man makes much of his meanness. The white man is proud because he is white; While the black man will boast of his blackness; The loose man will tell you how loose he can be; The exact man exults in exactness. The rich man will boast of the bulk of his wealth; And the poor man will boast of his poorness; The well man exults in his excellent state; While the sorehead will boast of his sores; Some dull men are proud because they are dull; And the bright man is proud of his brightness; The snob will make boast of being a snob; The polite man will air his politeness; The learned man is happy because he is learned; While the fool is content with his folly; The sober and thoughtful are proud they are such; While they will laugh loud and be jolly; The man who can speak and can write like a book; Will be proud that his gifts are so handy; While the man who can't speak and can't write at all is bragging because he's a dandy!"

—EVA.

WRIGHT-FARRAR.

—The marriage of Mrs. Eliza M. Wright to Mr. J. F. Farrar, will take place April 9th, 1901, at the residence of Rev. Z. D. Lewis, D. D., at 8:45 p. m. Reception from 9:30 to 11 P. M., at 606 N. 3rd St. Friends respectfully invited.

ARMSTEAD-LOGAN.

Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Armstead of Manchester, Va., announces the marriage of their daughter, Christie Eva Logan, to Mr. J. F. Farrar, of Richmond, Va. The marriage will take place at the home of the bride's parents, corner of Hancock and Holly Sts., Manchester, Va., Tuesday, April 9th, at 7:00 o'clock a. m.

After the marriage the bride and groom will leave via the N. & W. R. R. for Norfolk, Va., where they will spend a few days.

In Memoriam.

At a call meeting of Martha's Court, No. 138, I. O. O. F., held on March 8th, 1901, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God, to remove from our midst, our beloved sister Martha Johnson, and whereas, the relation long held by our deceased sister, with the members of Martha's Court, we deem it proper that we should place on record our appreciation of her services as our leader and member.

Resolved 1st. That while we bow in her submission to the will of the Most High, we do not the less mourn for our sister who has been called from her labor to rest.

Resolved 2nd. That in the death of our sister, this Court loses one who was always [very active and zealous in her work as leader, ever ready to succor the needy and distressed of the fraternity, prompt to advance the interest of the Order. She was wise in counsel, fearless in action, and one whose virtues endeared her not only to the members of our Court, but to all who knew her.

Resolved 3rd. That this Court tender its sympathy to the relatives of our deceased sister, and that these resolutions be published in the Richmond PLANET, and entered upon the minutes of Martha's Court, and a copy be sent to the relatives.

LUCY C. SPOTSWOOD,
ROSA BROWN,
BESSIE L. KING,
MAGGIE J. MACON,
Committee.

"At the Bar of Justice."

Rev. R. B. Taylor will preach at the First Presbyterian Church, corner Monroe and Catherine streets, Sunday March 31st at 11 a. m.; subject, "At the Bar of Justice." Rev. W. E. Pardee, D. D., pastor.

MANCHESTER, VA.

All the Samaritans and Daughter of Samaria are requested to attend a general mass meeting Monday night 8 p. m. Business of great importance.

W. H. HATCHER,
Deputy.

VICTIMS OF A TORNADO.

It Carries Death and Desolation to Birmingham, Ala.

EIGHTEEN ARE DEAD, MANY HURT

The Funnel Shaped Cloud Rushed Through the City by Leaps and Bounds, Leaving Destruction Wherever It Touched the Earth.

Birmingham, Ala., March 26.—Shortly before 10 o'clock yesterday forenoon a fearful tornado swept over the southern section of this city, traveling in an easterly direction. The number of killed is 18, while 35 were more or less seriously injured. The property loss is \$500,000.

Following is a full list of the white victims of the tornado in this city: Dr. Chapman, Mrs. Robert G. Lowe, infant son of Robert G. Lowe, 3-year-old daughter of B. B. Hudson, and J. C. Chumpe, a German. The colored victims are: Carrie Myro, 8-year-old Carrie Henry, (schoolgirl), Lizzie Goodlow, Lizzie Glenn and B. B. Hudson's cook.

Dead at Irontdale: John Gardner, white; Mamie and Clarence Hunter, colored, and two negro women missing.

The storm struck the city in the extreme southwestern corner and plowed its way eastward, leaving a path 150 feet wide through the entire southern section, and continued its course until its fury was spent in the mountain six miles east of the city.

The altitude of the cyclone was not more than 75 feet. The negro shanties and cottages in the lowlands in the path of the storm were the principal sufferers. The larger residences on the higher ground suffered only slightly. The large trees on the hillside of the St. Vincent's hospital were torn up by the roots, and large masses of stone were twisted out of the ground and broken and scattered all over the driveway of the entrance to the institution.

From Eighth to Tenth street the wind bounded like a rubber ball and when it again descended it struck a two-story house occupied by Joseph Busenheimer and almost razed it to the ground. The 11-year-old daughter of John Krump, a rolling mill man, was caught under the debris and severely injured. A house occupied by Taylor Hinson, near by, was unroofed and three small negro houses demolished. Onward the wind sped in its fury, demolishing trees and fences, leveling the street, where a house occupied by John Hayes was leveled to the ground. Skimming close to the earth it swept through a small pine grove, tearing the trees up by the roots and hurling them through the air like arrows.

The grove the storm cloud swooped down on a negro settlement and the frail cabins were crushed like eggshells, not one being left in the pathway of the storm. Carrie Elma, a negro, was buried beneath the debris, but most of the negroes escaped with slight injuries. Eastward the storm swept, cutting its way through another strip of woods, striking the Second Presbyterian church at the corner of Avenue H and Fifteenth street, demolishing the structure. The pews were piled on top of the debris. A small oak table, which was used on the subject of the church, was reported as having been deposited on the topmost point of the wreckage.

The storm then struck the more thickly settled residence portion of the city and its work of destruction increased. Almost a clean sweep was made of the district lying between Second and Twentieth streets and Avenue H and I, two blocks. Here the scene is one of complete demolition. The frame cottages were reduced to flattened piles of debris; every tree, large or small, was either crushed down or uprooted, and fallen telephone poles and their tangle of wires made a mass of destruction.

Onward the cyclone swept, and at Irontdale again repeated its work of destruction.

Besmer, Pratt City, Ensley, North Birmingham and other suburban towns were visited by the storm, and in each of these places much destruction was wrought, but no loss of life is reported. Many houses were demolished at Pratt City, including a number of churches. At Powderly there was also much damage and destruction, and at Cleveland Mrs. George Hatt was struck by lightning and will probably die.

The storm seems to have lifted after leaving Birmingham, and beyond giving Huntsville, Ala., a slight touch did not make itself felt until it passed over into Georgia.

At Chambers, Ga., near Rome, a railroad depot was blown into a creek and washed away. At Rounsaville a big flouring mill was destroyed, together with many bushels of wheat. The handsome residence of the Rounsaville family was wrecked, but no one injured.

The cyclone struck Buena Vista, Ga., at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The young child of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Harrell was killed, as was also a negro girl. The home of the Misses Woodall was wrecked and the occupants seriously injured.

At Cartersville lightning struck a school house, killing two children. Owing to the tremendous rains the

rivers in northern and northwestern Georgia are out of their banks.

A Robber's Note of Apology.

PATERSON, N. J., March 7.—A robber who entered the residence of the late Vice President Hobart Sunday night, and who departed without any booty on finding the silverware marked, left the following note in a loving cup which had been given to Mrs. Hobart by the "Old Ladies' Home society for charitable work: 'I humbly beg your pardon. I do not want to rob good people.'

Steamer Wrecked, Twenty-eight Lost

MELBOURNE, March 25.—Wreckage which has gone ashore on Gabo Island, near Cape Howe, the most southeastern point of Australia, causes fear that the coastal steamer Federal, of Melbourne, has foundered, with a loss of 25 lives.

PRINCE AND CHANCELLOR.

Russia's Finance Minister May Become the Nation's Prime Minister.

St. Petersburg, March 25.—In diplomatic circles here it is regarded as probable that M. De Witte, the finance minister, will be made imperial chancellor within a few years. They also believe the czar will first bestow princely rank upon him. M. De Witte's worst enemies do not deny his energy, mental capabilities and progressive



MINISTER OF FINANCE DE WITTE.

tendencies. His desire to make Russia equally strong at home as abroad promises well for the world's peace. In the meantime his influence is growing so rapidly and steadily that it is considered that but a short time will elapse before he will actually exercise the chancellor's functions, even without princely rank.

M. Kovalevsky, one of the chief employees of the ministry of finance and director of commercial and industrial affairs, may be made assistant finance minister when M. De Witte becomes chancellor. Prince Boris Galitzine is mentioned as the successor of M. Bogoloff, the minister of public instruction, who was recently assassinated by Peter Karpovitch.

TRYING TO AVERT A STRIKE.

Father Phillips Arranges a Conference With J. Pierpont Morgan.

Haitleton, Pa., March 26.—Rev. Father Phillips, of St. Gabriel's church, this city, and A. T. McAllister, secretary of the local board of trade, left last night for New York with the object of endeavoring to bring about an amicable adjustment of the threatened troubles between the anthracite miners and operators.

It was expected here that Wilkesbarre and Scranton would also send committees from their boards of trade, to act jointly with the Hazleton committee. It was announced here last night, however, that after considering the subject the board of trade of those cities had concluded that there was no pressing need at present for sending representatives to New York to discuss the differences between the miners and operators.

A dispatch from New York today announces that Father Phillips and Mr. McAllister will confer with J. Pierpont Morgan at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Killed in a Mine Explosion.

CONNELLVILLE, Pa., March 26.—The first and most fatal mine explosion to occur in the New Klondike region of Fayette county happened yesterday. One man was killed instantly, James Wilson died tonight, and four others are dying. The body of the man instantly killed, an unknown Italian, is missing. The dying men are James Murphy, Wilson Gilmore, Michael Soloka and George Peikiske. The cause of the explosion was an accumulation of gas in the heading of the Gates mine, one of the new mines opened up this winter by the American Steel and Wire company.

Accidentally Killed Her Mother.

New York, March 27.—An accident occurred last night at the residence of Peter Scanlan, a railroad contractor of this city, when his wife, Bridget, was instantly killed by a bullet from a revolver fired by Scanlan's 13-year-old daughter Nora. The revolver was the regulation police pistol and belonged to James Scanlan, attached to the city force. Nora, while handling the revolver, accidentally discharged it, the ball almost instantly killing the mother. The coroner investigated and exonerated the girl.

CHINESE MINISTER WU

Criticizes Racial Prejudice and Religious Intolerance.

ARE "MONSTERS OF BARBARISM."

He Cannot Recall War Between China and Any of Her Neighbors Waged For the Propagation of Any Religion or the Enslavement of a People.

New York, March 27.—A public meeting under the auspices of the Barons and Baroness de Hirsch association was held last night in Calvary Baptist church, this city. The attendance was very large. Gen. Thomas L. James presided.

The object of the association is to erect a monument to the Hirsches and eliminate racial prejudice and religious intolerance. Many Hebrews as well as Chinese were present.

The pastor of the church, the Rev. Dr. R. S. MacArthur, appeared on the platform accompanied by Wu Ting-fang, the Chinese minister, and the other speakers.

After the singing and the reading of a scripture lesson by Dr. MacArthur and prayer by Rabbi Silverman, Gen. James made an address.

Letters of regret were read from President McKinley and Vice President Roosevelt.

Wu Ting-fang then spoke. He said it was needless for him to say that he was heartily in sympathy with a movement to eradicate racial prejudice. "But when the secretary of this association went on to tell me," he said, "that the meeting was to be held in this house, the temple of God, and that eminent divines were also to speak, I felt a little nervous, and I remembered that I had a previous engagement which I must keep. So I was obliged to decline. But the secretary wrote me that the meeting, which was originally set for last month, had been postponed. He said it had been postponed until I would come, and that I must come." The minister then produced a manuscript and read his address. He said in substance:

"Racial prejudice and religious intolerance are two monsters of barbarism. In former days they seemed to stalk abroad hand in hand, setting nations against nations, people against people. The world was in a constant turmoil, although the west suffered the most. What did the crusades accomplish but to inflict untold sufferings upon Christians and Mohammedans alike? Among the most destructive instances of racial persecution was that of the Huguenots in France and the expulsion of the Moors from Spain.

"Such things, I am happy to say, are no longer tolerated, although in many countries the laws still discriminate against the Jews or other classes on account of race or religion. It is remarkable, however, how little there has been of these two evils among the eastern peoples. I cannot recall war between China and any of her neighbors waged for the propagation of any religion or the enslavement of a people.

"The way to remove these evils is to remove the cause. Most men fear and hate what they do not know. Some men don't like snakes, but when a naturalist studies them closely he finds that most of them are harmless, and that even those that are venomous are comparatively harmless if handled right."

The minister said that the progress of civilization continually broadens the minds of men, and the most highly civilized men sympathize with the aspirations of all races. As examples he named Lincoln, Wilberforce, Gladstone, Alexander II. of Russia and Baron de Barony and his wife.

Other speakers were Rev. Heber Newton, Rev. Joseph Silverman, Rev. Charles T. Walker (colored), Rev. Dr. MacArthur, Rev. C. H. Eaton and Rev. Samuel Schulman. Edwin Markham read an original poem.

St. Mary's, W. Va., March 24.—Sixteen times in the life of George Washington Anderson did marriage prove not to be a failure, but the 17th time has sent him to the poorhouse. When the married state was entered into by Mr. Anderson for the 17th time he was a man of 68 and his bride was 74. It was less than a month ago that Anderson came to town, no one knew his whence, and in a short time had seen and loved Miss Martha Wells. In two days he had proposed and was accepted. They went to Parkersburg the last of February and were wedded. Life was at first rosy, but then the husband got sick, and the new love grew cold, and one day in his pockets his new wife found a written confession, signed by her husband, that he had been 15 times wedded before he met her, and that nearly all of the 16 were living. This was too much for the aged bride, and she bundled him off to the poorhouse and has applied for a divorce.

General French's Successful Sortie.

VRYHED, March 27.—Gen. French, with Dartnall's and Putney's columns, arrived here Monday, having killed, wounded and captured 1,200 Boers. He has also taken seven cannon, 1,000 rifles, 1,800 wagons and 225,000 head of horses, cattle and sheep.